

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe Novel Study

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The Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis contain the most famous children's classics of all time. Let's travel together into the wardrobe through the following activities. All activities will be given class time, however, if the activity is not completed, noon hour or homework may be required. Be productive. This outline will be posted on the homework wiki under LA for January. Values and due dates will be assigned as we move along in the activities.

- 1. Map of Narnia:** Dust off your Social Studies knowledge and construct a map of Narnia. You will need post-its for this activity to keep track of your information as you read. Your map should include: all of the major areas listed in the book, a legend that shows the topographical regions you have labeled, and include lots of detail. Label as many places as you can that the chronicle lists. This map should be topographical, showing the lay of the land. Remember to reference where you found the information on these regions. For example: Where we are now; all that lies between the lamp post and the great castle of Cair Paravel, p.12. You will be shown samples but you must design and draw your own map, no tracing. Make a map of Narnia on an 8 1/2 by 11 sheet of white paper.
- 2. Book Jacket:** Create an original book jacket for LWW. Be sure to look at a jacket and note that there is a summary and/or write up of the author inside the book flaps. Also, create a hook on the back of the jacket to lure a reader into the novel. Be creative; let your artistic ideas flow onto the jacket. Little white shown, as the jacket will be considered a form of advertisement for the novel. Design, colour, required information (author, title, publisher, price, spine, flaps, and back jacket) and effort are considered in this activity. Samples will be shown and paper supplied, 8 1/2 by 14.
- 3. Character Analysis:** The personalities and attitudes of characters change as we read novels. You may choose a character (check for approval from your teacher first) from LWW and be expected to chart their progress from the beginning of the book to the end on a graphic organizer. You will need post-its for this activity, as well. For example, how does Mr. Tumnus change from chapter to chapter until the end of the book? Does he have any characteristics that are constant/stay the same? Be sure to reference why you think this character is the way he/she is based on what you read in the book. Explain who, what he/she looks like and what type of character he/she becomes throughout the story. Give references from the novel and be descriptive. Samples will be shown in class of this activity.
- 4. Author Study:** CS Lewis is considered one of the greatest authors of the 20th century. He used to sit in the local pub with JRR Tolkien and discuss his writing. We will learn how to write an author report together, what is important, how to organize the information, what a valid resource is and garnish information citing the sources. Your report will be unique to you.